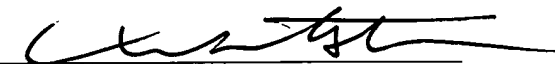


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Invention: METAL COATING METHOD EXCELLENT IN CORROSION RESISTANCE AND ARTICLE COATED THEREWITH					
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**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is supplemental to the Preliminary Amendment filed previously on October 25, 2006, and is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on December 19, 2006. This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment also serves as a full and timely response to the Final Office Action dated August 8, 2006. Prior to continued examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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